"They shall see His face…"

"…which things the angels desire to look into." (1 Peter 1:12)

SUFFER ME, beloved brethren, to address a few words to—

1. ***The indifferent***.—But where, on such a subject [as the gospel], shall indifference be found? There is no indifference in heaven; all eyes are fixed on [the Lord] Jesus there—riveted is each holy mind in deep, adoring contemplation to His person, His dying love, His finished and glorious work.

There is no indifference in hell—*"the devils believe and tremble!"*—and yet there is indifference *here*. Among men, for whom this great salvation was effected, indifference thereto is found! And among the living men within reach of its inestimable blessings, and among these alone, indifference can be found. There is no indifference among *"the spirits of just men made perfect;"* neither is there any longer indifference among them that are lost. But thousands of living men pay no regard thereto. Oh! what a marvel this—salvation needed, and within our reach, is slighted! Am I now addressing one who never felt interested in that vast design which fills all heaven with adoring wonder—who never lent one serious thought to those great truths which angels scan with holy awe? What can I say to you? In view of such ingratitude, my lips are sealed; for who can conceive, much less express, the enormity of your sin? and who shall tell the dire result, *"except ye repent?"* for *"How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?"*

2. ***To the humble but doubting soul***.—You cannot realize your interest in Christ. But can it be that Jehovah shall exhaust the treasures of wisdom and knowledge—the depth of the riches of His love—and shall one soul perish that clings to the [Christ of God]? Impossible! Never did a sinner perish [at His feet]; and while the world shall stand, never shall the soul that hangs on Christ be cast away! If fears oppress you, temptations assail you, *"It is Christ that died."* This is your Rock; hold on the more if troubles increase. Let not all the fiery darts of the wicked drive you thence; let not your doubts prevail. It is a mighty weapon whereby to vanquish Satan, and drive all fear away. And why those fears? Does not the Gospel's glorious character, this wonder of angels at the freeness of redeeming love, forbid all doubt? Does not the Spirit chide you for your want of faith in many precious words? (Heb 7:25; Rom 5:10). Then *"wherefore didst thou doubt?"*

3. ***Is your deep interest awakened*** in these great things—your grateful admiration excited—your chief attention directed to those holy Scriptures which testify of Christ? Have you *"looked into the perfect law of liberty?"* (James 1:25). Here again the same word [looked into] occurs.

Consider the dignity of this study—the grandeur of this pursuit! Compared therewith, what is the study of human philosophy? Which of all the books of human wisdom do angels read? They ponder the words of Gospel truth. Prize, then, this precious volume more and more. *"Search the Scriptures;"* and let the humblest disciple know that angels are our fellow-students as we "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them."

Lastly: Jesus, seen of angels in His humiliation, shall be seen of the saints in glory. *"They shall see the King in His beauty."* O that glorious vision! To see Him whom having not seen we love, will surely be the saints' everlasting delight.

Brethren beloved, are you *"looking unto Jesus?"* Is the desire of your soul toward Him? O this living interest, this precious delight, shall increase in you and abound more and more. You shall carry it with you to your dying day; and then shall your whole body, and soul, and spirit glow with increased desire for the consummation which His presence brings. And the moment after death—where, O where, will your happy spirit be! and what your everlasting state! *"It doth not yet appear what we shall be."* Hope's boldest flight catches but a glimpse of the outer glories of that bright world above; but this we know—and knowing [by] which our hearts rejoice—*"THEY SHALL SEE HIS FACE."* (Revelation 22:4) [AMEN!]—J.H.

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"…I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts."

(Haggai 2:7)

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[BELOVED], Is not the mere mention of this name, "**DELIVERER**," enough to dispel anxious fears? What, then, must it be to realize the blessed fact that He has been, is, and will be **MY DELIVERER** from the besetment of inherent sin, from the burden of an awakened conscience, from the fear of the last enemy—Death? Shall I forget or ignore **SO GREAT A DELIVERER** as this? Forbid it, LORD, that a heart so ungrateful and [insensible] should be mine. Help me rather to come unto Thee humbly, yet confidently, casting myself upon Thy great power and mercy, beseeching Thee to **DELIVER ME**. For Thy great Name's sake. AMEN. —Copied

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WELCOME

SINNERS are welcome at Sovereign Grace Church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an imperfect assembly, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God's underserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name Jesus for He shall (not might, not maybe) rather He shall save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it! You are *complete in Him*, saved to the *uttermost* [Colossians 2:10, Hebrews 7:25].

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday!
Matt Spring, August 9th

RESOURCES

BE sure to visit our websites for gospel articles, live messages, and resources.

GRACE ARTICLES

CHRIST: THE DELIVERER

"…so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:"
(Romans 11:26)

AND the Redeemer [**THE DELIVERER**] *shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD* (Isaiah 59:20).

There shall come out of Sion **THE DELIVERER**, *and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob* (Romans 11:26).

Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might **DELIVER US** *from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father* (Galatians 1:4).

For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them (Luke 9:56).

But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness and the end everlasting life (Romans 6:22).

The LORD…is **MY DELIVERER**; *my God, my strength, in whom I will trust…*(Psalm 18:2)

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but **THE LORD DELIVERETH HIM** *out of them all* [and His people, made one with Him, so too shall be delivered!] (Psalm 34:19).

And the LORD shall help them, and **DELIVER THEM**: *He shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in Him* (Psalm 37:40).

But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my Help and **MY DELIVERER**; *O LORD, make no tarrying* (Psalm 70:5).

The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach **DELIVERANCE TO THE CAPTIVES**… (Luke 4:18).

…the LORD saved them by a **GREAT DELIVERANCE** (1 Chron 11:14).

…our God hast punished us less than our iniquities deserve, and hast given us **SUCH DELIVERANCE** as this (Ezra 9:13).

…thou shalt compass me about with songs of **DELIVERANCE** (Psalm 32:7). — Copied